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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the July 26, 2007 Office Action ("Office Action"). A response is due October 26, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the enclosed remarks are respectfully requested. The following sections are enclosed:

1. Amendments to the Claims; and
2. Remarks.